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FRENCH MAKE THREE-MILE GAIN NEAR PERONNE IN NIGHT ATTACK

Southern Department Reorganized Because of Addition of Militia Troops.

MOVE IS DENIED

Funston to Command One, Pershing Another, and J. Franklin Bell Another.

A general reorganization of the Southern department of the army embracing the troop commands along the Mexican border, was announced by the War Department

Although officials of the department deny that the action portends any important developments in the Mexican policy, the announcement aroused widespread

ment, now under the command of Explaining the strict censorship Maj. Gen. Frederick Funston, has been split up into three sections.

The new Southern department, over which General Funston will extend from

PERSHING TO COMMAND.

From El Paso to the 109th meridian, which lies about thirty miles east of Douglas, Ariz., will be embraced in a new department to be known as the Department of New Mexico. It is to be established under command of Brig. Gen. John J. Pershing, with headquarters at El Paso.

Although it is declared at the War Department that there is no intention of bringing Pershing out of Mexico, it believed that the commander of the American punitive expedition will be Department under command of Mai. created by the new army reorganiza

Brig. Gen. George Bell, who is a present commanding a brigade at El Paso, will retain this command.

That part of the present Southern Department lying west of the 109th meridian is to be added to the Western Department under command of Major Gen. J. Franklin Bell, with field head-quarters at Douglas, Ariz. From a military standpoint the re-

organization of the Southern Department under these lines would be the first move preliminary to a general Mexican campaign.

Each of the new commands would embrace an army division, and the divisions in time of war would constitute an army corps under the supreme command of a commander-in-chief.

In that event the supreme command, it is thought, would be held by one of three officers—Maj. Gen. Hugh L. Scott,

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78 Fresh Cases Of Paralysis in N. Y

Death Rate of 20 Per Cent Causes Health Bureau to Redouble Fight.

NEW YORK, July 3.-A death rate of w per cent from infantile paralysis to day caused New York health bureau FINAL CONTRIBUTION chiefs to redouble their efforts to subdue the present epidemic, now acknowledged to be the fastest growing one in

edged to be the fastest growing one in New York's history.
Incomplete records showed seventy-eight new cases and seven additional deaths, two of these latter, adults.
In Manhattan notice of five new cases was turned in by physicians. There was one death in that borough. The largest previous number of new cases in Brooklyn on any one day was lifty-seven.
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John D. Rockefeller has become interested, and the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research today began a campaign in Brooklyn. Nurses and experts went into the infected districts to study the disease at first hand, seeking blood cultures when permitted ing blood cultures when permitted.

It is estimated at the Health Department that the present epidemic, unless checked, will attain its maximum probably by the third week in August, and then will gradually wane until cold weather ends it.

U. S. Has 21,000,000 Men of Military Age

There are 21,000,000 men in the United States between the ages of eighteen and forty-five, according to a special report today by the Bureau of Census, as to the nation's resources in men of military fitness.

The report was based on 1910 census figures, with an estimated 10 per cent increase in population. Of 19,118,000 ablebodied men in 1910, 14,244,000 were native-born, white citizens; 2,857,000 were naturalforeign-born citizens; 2,052,000 were native-born colored citizens; and 50,000 were Indians.

There were two and a half million men of military age in the Northern States during the civil

Censorship on Militia Move-Presence of Mexican Agents.

COLUMBUS, N. M., July 3 .- Militia movements are taking place along tional Guard, which is co-operation the border today under the eyes of ing with the central committee, The present Southern depart- Spies and secret service agents of the Cerran a government, it is believed.

Brownsville to a line east of El

Paso.

During the night long troop trains passed through here distributing militiamen at various points. Van Schaick, with several American Secret Service men at the Columbus camp, is watching the activities of suspected Carranza

missaries. Severifi Mexicans have recently been arrested and deported. National guardsmen whose first thought was to write the folks back home, are wondering whether the cen-sorship will be extended to their letters.

NEW YORK, July 2 .- Mrs. - Hetty Green, known as "the richest woman in the world," died at her home today.

Anti-Mexico War Propaganda Is On

Thousands of Telegrams in Set Phraseology Come to President and Congress.

Demands on President Wilson and Congress to keep the United States out of war in Mexico are assuming the form and proportions of a propaganda It was learned today that of the It was learned today that of the thousands of telegrams received at the White House and Capitol during the last few days, 100 or more contained what appeared to be a set phraseology. This runs;

"We strongly urge you to exhaust every means of preventing war with Mexico."

It is understood a similar campaign is being directed upon General Carranza.

ranza.

The flood of telegrams abated somewhat today, apparently affected by the President New York speech and confidential advices recived here that Carranza will not defy the United States when he replies to President Wilson's demans.

FOR IPPOLITO GIVEN

Police of Eighth Precinct Send \$10.35 to The Times' Fund.

A final contribution to the fund raised by The Times for Crossing Policeman Frank T. Ippolito was received today. This brings the total up to \$1,024.65. The contribution today was from the members of the Eighth precinct, and amounted to \$10.35.

Asks About Arms Export.

Citizens' Welfare Association Calls for Contributions to Aid Soldiers' Families.

COMMITTEE IS ORGANIZED

Senate Employe First to Send Check to Head of Women's Association.

Contribute.

This was the appeal sent forth today from the Citizens' Welfare Association, formed to aid the families of national guardsmen.

The committee met this afterments Decaired to Be Due to noon at the New Willard Hotel to perfect an organization.

> A meeting of the Woman's Relief Association of the District National Guard, which is co-operatwas announced today for tomorrow afternoon, at the home of Mrs. William E. Harvey, president.

FIRST CONTRIBUTION.

The first contribution to the general fund came in this morning. It was sent through Mrs. Archibald Hopkins to John Dolph, by W. B. Stewart, secre

John Dolph, by W. B. Stewart, secretary of the Finance Committee of the United States Senate.

Mr. Stewart wrote Mrs. Hopkins, at the time she called a general meeting of women's organizations, that he would be glad to contribute, and urged that the matter of raising a fund be not considered as a chariity, but as a civic and patriotic duty.

An open invitation was issued by Mr. Dolph, chairman of the organization committee, to all individuals and

tion committee, to all individuals and representatives of associations to attend There was not time to send invitations to each of the organizations. It is relieved that neveral hundrel clubs societies, associations, and other nodics will co-operate with the movement.

Contribution From Keith's. Just before the meeting was called to order, Mr. Dolph received a letter from Manager Robbins, of Keith's Theater

Manager Robbins, of Keith's Theater which follows:

B. F. Keith's Theater.
Washington, D. C.,
July 3, 1918.

Mr. John Dolph, Temporary Chairman. Central Relief Committee,
District Guardsmen's Families,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dolph:
Learning from the newspapers of the city that the Central Relief Committee for District Guardsmen's Families, of which you are temporary chairman, was ready to receive contributions, an appeal was made to our audience of last Saturday evening and with the co-operation of the artists on the bill, a collection taken.

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The receipts amounted to \$89.70, four car tickets and an order for \$1.00, which I now turn over to you. Keith's is desirous of assisting in making the worthy object of the Citizens' Relief Committee for District guardsmen's families a great big success and will enthusiastically co-operate with the committee and others interested, in any possible arrangement that may be suggested to accomplish this result.

Very respectfully yours,

Very respectfully yours,
B. F. KEITH'S THEATER,
R. S. ROBBINS, Manager. It was said funds are needed at once to get the work started. Contributions may be sent to Mr. Dolph, in the Munsey Building, or to the Washington Times, which will acknowledge the sums and turn them over to Mr. Dolph.

Wilsons Stop to Aid Wilsons Stop to Aid will continue about two weeks with a two weeks vacation in the Rockies somewhere so Hughes can get a taste of his favorite sport—mountain climb-

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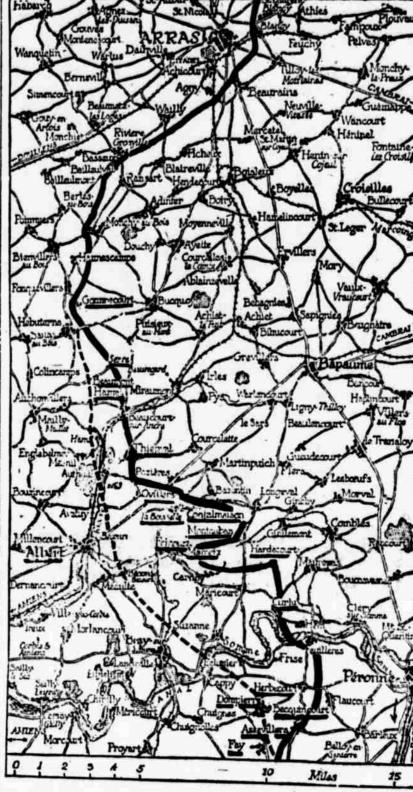
President Has Secret Service Men Help Women Adjust New Tire Near Alexandria.

ALEXANDRIA, July 3. - President Wilson and Mrs. Wilson through this city yesterday and down to Pohick Church. About 4 o'clock along that road the President saw a party of vomen of this city struggling to put Asks About Arms Export.

As a step toward ascertaining Mexico's preparedness, the War Department has asked the Customs Division for information as to the exact amount of arms and ammunition which has crossed the border into Mexico.

Women of this city struggling to put another tire on their machine. The president stopped and directed the Secret Service men who were following him in another car, to help the party, he staying until this was done. Among the ladies was Mrs. Fitzhugh Lee, who fought with General Robert E. Lee.

WHERE BIG DRIVE IS ON



The heavy black line shows the present position of the on-rushing French and British armies. The dotted line indicates their position Saturday, before the great offensive was I aunched.

BOTH PARTIES SOON WOMAN THREATENS TO BEGIN CAMPAIGN PRESIDENT IN HOME

Trip in August, Speaking in Larger Cities.

NEW YORK, July 3.-The real heavy nesday will see both Republican and Democratic campaign directors hard at work on the preliminary training stunts. month from now will see the Repub lican candidate out for "road work"which means a campaign tour.

The publicity bureau of the Demo cratic headquarters is being organized for business today. National Republican Chairman Willcox, on his return Wednesday, is expected to announce location of the G. O. P. headquarters as well as the personnel of the executive committee, which will have the fight against Wilson in charge.

Politicians of both camps were interested in the coast-to-coast trip sched uled by Nominee Hughes for August. Stops will be made only at large cities for big mass meeteings, and the tour

ing.

Neither the candidate nor Chairman Willcox has yet had a chance to map out any itinerary for Colonel Roosevelt, but it is expected that if war with Mexico doesn't deprive the Republicans of the former Bull Moose leader's aid, the Colonel will make a tour of considerable length.

One Marine Killed In Santo Domingo

One American marine was killed and three wounded in two fights with native revolutionists in Santo Domingo, according to reports by Rear Admiral Caperton to the Navy Depart-

Whte oHuse Suffragists Are

A huge shock was thrown into the work of politics is about to begin. Wed- otherfise harmonious gathering at the White House today of a delegation representing the Woman's National Democratic League. The delegation, composed of some of the most distinguished ladies of the congressional and official sets, called to inform the President that the league had raised \$1,000 as a cam-paign contribution toward his re-elec-

paign contribution toward his re-election.

The President received the ladies graciously, and was in Phe act of thanking them when Mrs. Frank I. Moran, of 7313 Massachusetts avenue, a grandinice of Mrs. Martha Washington, interrupted the proceedings to say:

"These ladies have no right to offer this money and piedge the support of the women of the country. I have just returned. Mr President, from a six months' trip in the West, and I am here as an envoy from the women of the voting States to say that they regard you as having been responsible for the defeat of the woman suffrage amendment, and to tell you that you run the risk of losing their 4,000,000 votes"

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The others in the delegation appeared much embarrassed and retired, but Mrs. Moran remained wit hthe President long enough to drive home her arguments. She declared when she left the White House, that the President was going to try to "do what he could." She did not make it plain, however, what he was going to do.

The others in the delegation were Mrs. W. A. Cullop, president of the league; Mrs. Mary C. Adaims, Mrs. Joseph H. Maxwell, Mrs. Grace Porter Hopkins, Mrs. John E. Raker, and Mrs. E. P. Taylor.

Troopers Lost Trail.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., July 3.-The two troops of the Eighth Cavalry, under Capt. Leroy Eitinge, which crossed the Rio Grande into Mexico, near Fort Hancock, late Saturday in pursuit of Mexican raiders, lost the trail and returned to the American side, according to dispatches received here today.

SECOND LINE PIERCED SOMME REGION. **GERMANS NOW ADMIT**

Berlin War Office Claims, However, Allied Offensive in Other Sectors Has Been Repulsed With Heavy Losses; Village of Hercecourt Captured.

BERLIN, July 3.-English and French attacks north of the Somme last night were without advantage, the enemy being repulsed with bloody losses, the war office announced this afternoon.

South of the Somme the Germans withdrew from their second line under heavy French attacks.

PARIS, July 3.—In a brilliant night attack that threw the Germans back on a wide front, French troops last night captured the village of Hercecourt, advancing to within five miles of the heart of Peronne, one of the immediate objectives of the allied offensive.

The advance was made on a five-kilometer front (about three miles). The French swept forward from the Mireaucourt wood, near the river Somme, to a point west of the village of Assevillers.

The French alone have now advanced their positions on a front of ten miles, extending from the outskirts of Hardecourt, north of the Somme, to a point south of Estrees

French critics, while entertaining no high hopes of an immediate piercing of the German front, point out that the allied gains have been on a much larger front than marked the beginning of the crown prince's attack on Verdun.

The official statement indicated that of about 39,000 German troops, defending the sector of the front near Peronne, nearly 31,000, forming thirty-one battalions, suffered terrible losses, and were badly disorganized.

FRENCH MAKE FURTHER PROGRESS.

South of Assevillers the French made further progress, spreading their advance on the south bank of the Somme to the village of Estrees, seven and one-half miles southwest

'The combats south of the Somme were entirely favorable to the French," the war office stated today. "During Sunday eve and Sunday night the French entirely occupied on a five-kilometer front the two second position German trenches between Mireaucourt wood and up to Assevillers.

"Between these two points, during the course of a Hughes to Make Coast-to-Coast Mrs. F. L. Moran Tells Wilson at brilliant encounter, the French carried Herbecourt village. "Toward Awre, in the region of Dancourt, the Desloges

wood was cleaned of the enemy by French grenade reconnaissances. "North of the Somme there were no German attacks

during the night on our newly gained positions." A semi-official note says:

"The first day of the offensive is considered to have been fully satisfactory.

"It is especially important because it is rich in promise that the effort now is not a doubtful attempt to pierce the line, but rather a long, continued drive which will be methodical and which will economize life.

"It will be exercised from line to line until the day when the enemy resistance, continually hammered, will break at some point."

BRITISH PUSH ON PAST FRICOURT.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE BRITISH ARMY IN FRANCE, July 3.—Pressing on east of Albert, British troops have occupied a higher position near the strongly fortified position of Fricourt, which was taken from the Germans yesterday afternoon.

The number of prisoners now totals 4,000.

North of the Ancre valley the situation is unchanged. On the remainder of the front the situation is described by returning officers as "promising."

The most violent fighting was going on this morning at La Boisselle, east of Albert, which was captured by the British on Saturday.

The Germans are bombarding Montauban, another village taken by the British in the Saturday advance.

British guns were cannonading German positions at Thiepval early today.